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AN ACT

To amend chapter 173, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to consolidation of all higher education scholarship programs, with an effective date.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 173, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 173.058, to read as follows:

- 173.058. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the administration of all post-secondary scholarship programs currently administered by a department, division, or agency of this state shall be transferred to the coordinating board for higher education. The coordinating board for higher education shall have the authority to enter into agreements with any department, division, or agency currently administering a scholarship program to make special arrangements allowing that entity to maintain part or all of the administration of such scholarship if the coordinating board for higher education deems it necessary for accurate and efficient administration of such scholarship. All departments, divisions, or agencies shall coordinate efforts with the coordinating board for higher education to implement the administrative transition of all post-secondary scholarship programs.
 - 2. The coordinating board for higher education shall have the authority to enter into agreements with the federal Department of Education or any other department or agency of the federal government for transfer of administration of any scholarship program involving federal funding that is currently administered by a department, division, or agency of this state.
- 3. The coordinating board for higher education shall have the authority to promulgate any rules or regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

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- 19 No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall
- 20 become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.

Section B. Section A of this act shall become effective on July 1, 2003.